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## **JONESBORO WOMAN INDICTED FOR THEFT BY A BANK EMPLOYEE**

Randy G. Massey, Acting United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, announced today that on January 19, 2007, **NANCY R. SMITH**, age 59, of Jonesboro, Illinois, was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury sitting in East St. Louis, Illinois in a one count indictment charging her with Theft by a Bank Employee. The violation is alleged to have taken place between January, 1997 and November, 2005 in Union County, Illinois.

*An indictment is a formal charge against a defendant. Under the law, a defendant is presumed to be innocent of a charge until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt to the satisfaction of a jury.*

The indictment alleges that **SMITH** used her position as an employee of the Anna State Bank to embezzle, abstract, purloin, and knowingly misapply over \$1000.00 of money, funds, and credits belonging to Anna State Bank and its account holders with the intent to defraud Anna State Bank. During this time, Anna State Bank was insured by the Federal Deposit of Insurance Corporation.

The offense carries a potential sentence of not more than thirty years imprisonment or a fine up to \$1,000,000, or both and not more than five years of supervised release.

Information for the indictment was obtained in an investigation conducted by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Office of Inspector General and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Jennifer Hudson.